

HUMAN SERVICES DEPARTMENT[441]

Adopted and Filed Without Notice

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 234.6, the Department of Human Services amends Chapter 170, "Child Care Services," Iowa Administrative Code.

This amendment updates the Child Care Assistance fee schedule for state fiscal year 2013 based on the federal poverty income guidelines issued in 2012. The Department reviews the fee schedule annually in relation to the poverty income guidelines. A family whose income is below the federal poverty level is not assessed a fee for child care. The increase in the income levels on the fee schedule allows families that have increased income comparable to the increase in the poverty level to maintain eligibility for Child Care Assistance without paying higher fees.

Any fee that is determined before July 1, 2012, will be based on the current fee schedule and will remain in effect until the family's eligibility is redetermined. The new fee schedule will be applied to all new applications as of July 1, 2012, and will be applied to existing cases when the family's eligibility is redetermined. Eligibility is redetermined at the annual recertification and when the family reports a change that affects eligibility, such as the birth of a child.

Approximately three-fourths of the families receiving Child Care Assistance pay no fees, either because the family's income is below the poverty level or because the family is eligible for assistance without regard to income (such as Family Investment Program participants and families receiving protective child care).

This amendment does not provide for waivers in specified situations. Families may request a waiver under the Department's general rule on exceptions at 441—1.8(17A,217).

The Council on Human Services adopted this amendment on May 15, 2012.

The Department finds that notice and public participation for this amendment are unnecessary because this amendment merely applies an expected change due to new federal poverty level guidelines, which are not under the control of the Department. Therefore, this amendment is filed without notice pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.4(3).

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 237A.13.

This amendment shall become effective on July 18, 2012.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend paragraph **170.4(2)"a"** as follows:

a. Sliding fee schedule.

(1) The fee schedule shown in the following table is effective for eligibility determinations made on or after July 1, ~~2011~~ 2012:

| Level | Monthly Income According to Family Size | | | | | | | | | | Unit Fee Based on Number of Children in Care | | |
|-------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--------|--------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 3 or more |
| A | <u>\$863</u> <u>\$884</u> | <u>\$1,165</u> <u>\$1,198</u> | <u>\$1,468</u> <u>\$1,511</u> | <u>\$1,770</u> <u>\$1,825</u> | <u>\$2,072</u> <u>\$2,138</u> | <u>\$2,375</u> <u>\$2,452</u> | <u>\$2,677</u> <u>\$2,765</u> | <u>\$2,979</u> <u>\$3,079</u> | <u>\$3,282</u> <u>\$3,392</u> | <u>\$3,584</u> <u>\$3,706</u> | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| B | <u>\$908</u> <u>\$931</u> | <u>\$1,226</u> <u>\$1,261</u> | <u>\$1,545</u> <u>\$1,591</u> | <u>\$1,863</u> <u>\$1,921</u> | <u>\$2,181</u> <u>\$2,251</u> | <u>\$2,500</u> <u>\$2,581</u> | <u>\$2,818</u> <u>\$2,911</u> | <u>\$3,136</u> <u>\$3,241</u> | <u>\$3,455</u> <u>\$3,571</u> | <u>\$3,773</u> <u>\$3,901</u> | \$0.20 | \$0.45 | \$0.70 |
| C | <u>\$933</u> <u>\$957</u> | <u>\$1,260</u> <u>\$1,296</u> | <u>\$1,588</u> <u>\$1,636</u> | <u>\$1,915</u> <u>\$1,975</u> | <u>\$2,242</u> <u>\$2,314</u> | <u>\$2,570</u> <u>\$2,653</u> | <u>\$2,897</u> <u>\$2,993</u> | <u>\$3,224</u> <u>\$3,332</u> | <u>\$3,552</u> <u>\$3,671</u> | <u>\$3,879</u> <u>\$4,010</u> | \$0.45 | \$0.70 | \$0.95 |
| D | <u>\$959</u> <u>\$983</u> | <u>\$1,295</u> <u>\$1,332</u> | <u>\$1,632</u> <u>\$1,680</u> | <u>\$1,967</u> <u>\$2,029</u> | <u>\$2,303</u> <u>\$2,377</u> | <u>\$2,640</u> <u>\$2,726</u> | <u>\$2,976</u> <u>\$3,074</u> | <u>\$3,312</u> <u>\$3,422</u> | <u>\$3,648</u> <u>\$3,771</u> | <u>\$3,984</u> <u>\$4,119</u> | \$0.70 | \$0.95 | \$1.20 |
| E | <u>\$986</u> <u>\$1,011</u> | <u>\$1,331</u> <u>\$1,369</u> | <u>\$1,677</u> <u>\$1,727</u> | <u>\$2,022</u> <u>\$2,085</u> | <u>\$2,368</u> <u>\$2,444</u> | <u>\$2,714</u> <u>\$2,802</u> | <u>\$3,059</u> <u>\$3,160</u> | <u>\$3,404</u> <u>\$3,518</u> | <u>\$3,751</u> <u>\$3,877</u> | <u>\$4,096</u> <u>\$4,235</u> | \$0.95 | \$1.20 | \$1.45 |
| F | <u>\$1,013</u> <u>\$1,038</u> | <u>\$1,367</u> <u>\$1,406</u> | <u>\$1,723</u> <u>\$1,774</u> | <u>\$2,077</u> <u>\$2,142</u> | <u>\$2,432</u> <u>\$2,510</u> | <u>\$2,788</u> <u>\$2,878</u> | <u>\$3,142</u> <u>\$3,246</u> | <u>\$3,497</u> <u>\$3,614</u> | <u>\$3,853</u> <u>\$3,982</u> | <u>\$4,207</u> <u>\$4,350</u> | \$1.20 | \$1.45 | \$1.70 |
| G | <u>\$1,041</u> <u>\$1,067</u> | <u>\$1,405</u> <u>\$1,446</u> | <u>\$1,771</u> <u>\$1,824</u> | <u>\$2,136</u> <u>\$2,202</u> | <u>\$2,500</u> <u>\$2,580</u> | <u>\$2,866</u> <u>\$2,959</u> | <u>\$3,230</u> <u>\$3,337</u> | <u>\$3,595</u> <u>\$3,715</u> | <u>\$3,961</u> <u>\$4,094</u> | <u>\$4,325</u> <u>\$4,472</u> | \$1.45 | \$1.70 | \$1.95 |
| H | <u>\$1,069</u> <u>\$1,096</u> | <u>\$1,444</u> <u>\$1,485</u> | <u>\$1,819</u> <u>\$1,874</u> | <u>\$2,194</u> <u>\$2,262</u> | <u>\$2,568</u> <u>\$2,651</u> | <u>\$2,944</u> <u>\$3,039</u> | <u>\$3,318</u> <u>\$3,428</u> | <u>\$3,693</u> <u>\$3,817</u> | <u>\$4,069</u> <u>\$4,205</u> | <u>\$4,443</u> <u>\$4,594</u> | \$1.70 | \$1.95 | \$2.20 |
| I | <u>\$1,099</u> <u>\$1,127</u> | <u>\$1,484</u> <u>\$1,527</u> | <u>\$1,870</u> <u>\$1,926</u> | <u>\$2,255</u> <u>\$2,325</u> | <u>\$2,640</u> <u>\$2,725</u> | <u>\$3,026</u> <u>\$3,124</u> | <u>\$3,411</u> <u>\$3,524</u> | <u>\$3,796</u> <u>\$3,923</u> | <u>\$4,182</u> <u>\$4,323</u> | <u>\$4,567</u> <u>\$4,722</u> | \$1.95 | \$2.20 | \$2.45 |
| J | <u>\$1,129</u> <u>\$1,158</u> | <u>\$1,525</u> <u>\$1,568</u> | <u>\$1,921</u> <u>\$1,978</u> | <u>\$2,317</u> <u>\$2,389</u> | <u>\$2,712</u> <u>\$2,799</u> | <u>\$3,109</u> <u>\$3,210</u> | <u>\$3,504</u> <u>\$3,620</u> | <u>\$3,900</u> <u>\$4,030</u> | <u>\$4,296</u> <u>\$4,441</u> | <u>\$4,692</u> <u>\$4,851</u> | \$2.20 | \$2.45 | \$2.70 |
| K | <u>\$1,161</u> <u>\$1,190</u> | <u>\$1,567</u> <u>\$1,612</u> | <u>\$1,975</u> <u>\$2,034</u> | <u>\$2,382</u> <u>\$2,456</u> | <u>\$2,788</u> <u>\$2,878</u> | <u>\$3,196</u> <u>\$3,299</u> | <u>\$3,602</u> <u>\$3,721</u> | <u>\$4,009</u> <u>\$4,143</u> | <u>\$4,417</u> <u>\$4,565</u> | <u>\$4,823</u> <u>\$4,987</u> | \$2.45 | \$2.70 | \$2.95 |
| L | <u>\$1,192</u> <u>\$1,223</u> | <u>\$1,610</u> <u>\$1,656</u> | <u>\$2,029</u> <u>\$2,089</u> | <u>\$2,446</u> <u>\$2,523</u> | <u>\$2,864</u> <u>\$2,956</u> | <u>\$3,283</u> <u>\$3,389</u> | <u>\$3,701</u> <u>\$3,823</u> | <u>\$4,118</u> <u>\$4,256</u> | <u>\$4,537</u> <u>\$4,689</u> | <u>\$4,955</u> <u>\$5,123</u> | \$2.70 | \$2.95 | \$3.20 |
| M | <u>\$1,226</u> <u>\$1,257</u> | <u>\$1,655</u> <u>\$1,702</u> | <u>\$2,086</u> <u>\$2,148</u> | <u>\$2,515</u> <u>\$2,593</u> | <u>\$2,944</u> <u>\$3,039</u> | <u>\$3,375</u> <u>\$3,484</u> | <u>\$3,804</u> <u>\$3,930</u> | <u>\$4,233</u> <u>\$4,375</u> | <u>\$4,664</u> <u>\$4,821</u> | <u>\$5,093</u> <u>\$5,266</u> | \$2.95 | \$3.20 | \$3.45 |
| N | <u>\$1,259</u> <u>\$1,291</u> | <u>\$1,700</u> <u>\$1,749</u> | <u>\$2,142</u> <u>\$2,206</u> | <u>\$2,583</u> <u>\$2,664</u> | <u>\$3,024</u> <u>\$3,121</u> | <u>\$3,467</u> <u>\$3,579</u> | <u>\$3,908</u> <u>\$4,037</u> | <u>\$4,349</u> <u>\$4,494</u> | <u>\$4,791</u> <u>\$4,952</u> | <u>\$5,232</u> <u>\$5,410</u> | \$3.20 | \$3.45 | \$3.70 |
| O | <u>\$1,294</u> <u>\$1,327</u> | <u>\$1,748</u> <u>\$1,798</u> | <u>\$2,202</u> <u>\$2,268</u> | <u>\$2,656</u> <u>\$2,738</u> | <u>\$3,109</u> <u>\$3,209</u> | <u>\$3,564</u> <u>\$3,679</u> | <u>\$4,017</u> <u>\$4,150</u> | <u>\$4,470</u> <u>\$4,620</u> | <u>\$4,925</u> <u>\$5,091</u> | <u>\$5,379</u> <u>\$5,561</u> | \$3.45 | \$3.70 | \$3.95 |
| P | <u>\$1,330</u> <u>\$1,363</u> | <u>\$1,795</u> <u>\$1,847</u> | <u>\$2,262</u> <u>\$2,330</u> | <u>\$2,728</u> <u>\$2,813</u> | <u>\$3,194</u> <u>\$3,296</u> | <u>\$3,661</u> <u>\$3,780</u> | <u>\$4,127</u> <u>\$4,263</u> | <u>\$4,592</u> <u>\$4,746</u> | <u>\$5,059</u> <u>\$5,229</u> | <u>\$5,525</u> <u>\$5,712</u> | \$3.70 | \$3.95 | \$4.20 |
| Q | <u>\$1,367</u> <u>\$1,401</u> | <u>\$1,846</u> <u>\$1,898</u> | <u>\$2,326</u> <u>\$2,395</u> | <u>\$2,804</u> <u>\$2,892</u> | <u>\$3,283</u> <u>\$3,389</u> | <u>\$3,763</u> <u>\$3,885</u> | <u>\$4,242</u> <u>\$4,382</u> | <u>\$4,721</u> <u>\$4,879</u> | <u>\$5,201</u> <u>\$5,376</u> | <u>\$5,680</u> <u>\$5,872</u> | \$3.95 | \$4.20 | \$4.45 |
| R | <u>\$1,404</u> <u>\$1,440</u> | <u>\$1,896</u> <u>\$1,950</u> | <u>\$2,389</u> <u>\$2,460</u> | <u>\$2,881</u> <u>\$2,971</u> | <u>\$3,373</u> <u>\$3,481</u> | <u>\$3,866</u> <u>\$3,991</u> | <u>\$4,358</u> <u>\$4,501</u> | <u>\$4,849</u> <u>\$5,012</u> | <u>\$5,343</u> <u>\$5,522</u> | <u>\$5,834</u> <u>\$6,032</u> | \$4.20 | \$4.45 | \$4.70 |
| S | <u>\$1,443</u> <u>\$1,480</u> | <u>\$1,949</u> <u>\$2,005</u> | <u>\$2,456</u> <u>\$2,529</u> | <u>\$2,962</u> <u>\$3,054</u> | <u>\$3,467</u> <u>\$3,578</u> | <u>\$3,974</u> <u>\$4,103</u> | <u>\$4,480</u> <u>\$4,628</u> | <u>\$4,985</u> <u>\$5,152</u> | <u>\$5,492</u> <u>\$5,677</u> | <u>\$5,998</u> <u>\$6,201</u> | \$4.45 | \$4.70 | \$4.95 |
| T | <u>\$1,483</u> <u>\$1,520</u> | <u>\$2,002</u> <u>\$2,059</u> | <u>\$2,523</u> <u>\$2,598</u> | <u>\$3,042</u> <u>\$3,137</u> | <u>\$3,561</u> <u>\$3,676</u> | <u>\$4,082</u> <u>\$4,215</u> | <u>\$4,602</u> <u>\$4,754</u> | <u>\$5,121</u> <u>\$5,292</u> | <u>\$5,642</u> <u>\$5,831</u> | <u>\$6,161</u> <u>\$6,370</u> | \$4.70 | \$4.95 | \$5.20 |
| U | <u>\$1,524</u> <u>\$1,563</u> | <u>\$2,058</u> <u>\$2,117</u> | <u>\$2,594</u> <u>\$2,671</u> | <u>\$3,127</u> <u>\$3,225</u> | <u>\$3,661</u> <u>\$3,779</u> | <u>\$4,197</u> <u>\$4,333</u> | <u>\$4,731</u> <u>\$4,887</u> | <u>\$5,264</u> <u>\$5,441</u> | <u>\$5,800</u> <u>\$5,995</u> | <u>\$6,334</u> <u>\$6,549</u> | \$4.95 | \$5.20 | \$5.45 |
| V | <u>\$1,566</u> <u>\$1,605</u> | <u>\$2,114</u> <u>\$2,174</u> | <u>\$2,664</u> <u>\$2,744</u> | <u>\$3,213</u> <u>\$3,313</u> | <u>\$3,761</u> <u>\$3,882</u> | <u>\$4,311</u> <u>\$4,451</u> | <u>\$4,859</u> <u>\$5,020</u> | <u>\$5,408</u> <u>\$5,589</u> | <u>\$5,958</u> <u>\$6,158</u> | <u>\$6,506</u> <u>\$6,727</u> | \$5.20 | \$5.45 | \$5.70 |

| Level | Monthly Income According to Family Size | | | | | | | | | | Unit Fee Based on Number of Children in Care | | |
|-------|---|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|--|--------|--------------|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 1 | 2 | 3 or more |
| W | <u>\$1,610</u> | <u>\$2,173</u> | <u>\$2,739</u> | <u>\$3,303</u> | <u>\$3,866</u> | <u>\$4,432</u> | <u>\$4,995</u> | <u>\$5,559</u> | <u>\$6,125</u> | <u>\$6,688</u> | \$5.45 | \$5.70 | \$5.95 |
| | <u>\$1,650</u> | <u>\$2,235</u> | <u>\$2,820</u> | <u>\$3,405</u> | <u>\$3,990</u> | <u>\$4,575</u> | <u>\$5,160</u> | <u>\$5,745</u> | <u>\$6,330</u> | <u>\$6,915</u> | | | |
| X | <u>\$1,653</u> | <u>\$2,233</u> | <u>\$2,813</u> | <u>\$3,392</u> | <u>\$3,972</u> | <u>\$4,552</u> | <u>\$5,131</u> | <u>\$5,711</u> | <u>\$6,291</u> | <u>\$6,871</u> | \$5.70 | \$5.95 | \$6.20 |
| | <u>\$1,695</u> | <u>\$2,296</u> | <u>\$2,897</u> | <u>\$3,498</u> | <u>\$4,099</u> | <u>\$4,700</u> | <u>\$5,301</u> | <u>\$5,902</u> | <u>\$6,503</u> | <u>\$7,104</u> | | | |
| Y | <u>\$1,700</u> | <u>\$2,295</u> | <u>\$2,892</u> | <u>\$3,487</u> | <u>\$4,083</u> | <u>\$4,680</u> | <u>\$5,275</u> | <u>\$5,870</u> | <u>\$6,468</u> | <u>\$7,063</u> | \$5.95 | \$6.20 | \$6.45 |
| | <u>\$1,743</u> | <u>\$2,361</u> | <u>\$2,978</u> | <u>\$3,596</u> | <u>\$4,214</u> | <u>\$4,832</u> | <u>\$5,449</u> | <u>\$6,067</u> | <u>\$6,685</u> | <u>\$7,303</u> | | | |
| Z | <u>\$1,746</u> | <u>\$2,358</u> | <u>\$2,971</u> | <u>\$3,582</u> | <u>\$4,194</u> | <u>\$4,807</u> | <u>\$5,419</u> | <u>\$6,030</u> | <u>\$6,644</u> | <u>\$7,255</u> | \$6.20 | \$6.45 | \$6.70 |
| | <u>\$1,790</u> | <u>\$2,425</u> | <u>\$3,059</u> | <u>\$3,694</u> | <u>\$4,329</u> | <u>\$4,963</u> | <u>\$5,598</u> | <u>\$6,232</u> | <u>\$6,867</u> | <u>\$7,501</u> | | | |
| AA | <u>\$1,795</u> | <u>\$2,424</u> | <u>\$3,054</u> | <u>\$3,683</u> | <u>\$4,311</u> | <u>\$4,942</u> | <u>\$5,571</u> | <u>\$6,199</u> | <u>\$6,830</u> | <u>\$7,458</u> | \$6.45 | \$6.70 | \$6.95 |
| | <u>\$1,840</u> | <u>\$2,493</u> | <u>\$3,145</u> | <u>\$3,797</u> | <u>\$4,450</u> | <u>\$5,102</u> | <u>\$5,754</u> | <u>\$6,407</u> | <u>\$7,059</u> | <u>\$7,711</u> | | | |
| BB | <u>\$1,844</u> | <u>\$2,490</u> | <u>\$3,137</u> | <u>\$3,783</u> | <u>\$4,429</u> | <u>\$5,077</u> | <u>\$5,722</u> | <u>\$6,368</u> | <u>\$7,016</u> | <u>\$7,662</u> | \$6.70 | \$6.95 | \$7.20 |
| | <u>\$1,891</u> | <u>\$2,561</u> | <u>\$3,231</u> | <u>\$3,901</u> | <u>\$4,571</u> | <u>\$5,241</u> | <u>\$5,911</u> | <u>\$6,581</u> | <u>\$7,251</u> | <u>\$7,921</u> | | | |

(2) and (3) No change.

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